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- 11. (C) We delivered reftel dipnote and CV to MFA International Organizations Department desk officer Peyami Ciklakalyoncu on August 23. He said that Turkey prefers to make reciprocal agreements of support for candidates when possible. He stated that he understood that the USG does not make such arrangements, referring to a diplomatic note received from USUN New York (regarding Turkey's candidate for the International Law Commission, Dr. Rauf Versan) to that effect.
- 12. (C) He said that perhaps an informal arrangement could be made where an exchange of unilateral written notes of support for each other's candidate could be organized. In any case, he undertook to pass the dipnote and CV to the relevant offices and promised that careful consideration would be given to Matheson's candidacy.

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